

In the Claims:

1. (Original) A method for preventing activating a malicious object passing through a checkpoint, and decreasing the overall inspection delay thereof, the method comprising the steps of:

- a. at said checkpoint, creating an envelope file, being an executable file comprising: said object; code for extracting said object from said envelope file; and an indicator for indicating the integrity of said object;
- b. forwarding said envelope file instead of said object toward its destination, while holding at least a part of said envelope file which comprises said indicator;
- c. inspecting said object;
- d. setting said indicator on said envelope file to indicate the inspection result thereof, and
- e. releasing the rest of said envelope file.

2. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said checkpoint is selected from a group comprising: a gateway server, a proxy server.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the name of said envelope file is identical to the name of the inspected object.

5. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein the name of said envelope file differs than the name of the inspected object.

6. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said indicator is selected from a group comprising: a CRC of at least one part of said envelope file, a CRC of at least one part of said inspected object, a checksum of at least one part of said envelope

file, a checksum of at least one part of said inspected object, a value stored within said envelope file, absence of a part of said envelope file, absence of a part of said object.

7. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein at least a part of said object is secured.

8. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein at least a part of said envelope file is secured.

9. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said indicator is stored within the last part of said envelope file.

10. (Original) A method according to claim 1, wherein said envelope file further comprises code for displaying an acknowledgment.

11. (Original) A method according to claim 10, wherein said acknowledgment indicates integrity of said object.